

The Calendar
Ascension Day

Thursday this week is Ascension Day, 40 days after Easter (Acts 1:3). You cannot believe in the Ascension if you do not believe in the Resurrection. Just over ten years ago, Richard Dawkins and the New Atheists were attracting considerable attention. They do not believe in God, the Resurrection, or the Ascension. They ridiculed people of faith and prophesied the ascendancy of rational thinking. They set faith against reason. They foretold a world without religion, and equated faith with superstition or (temporary) respect for a *god of the gaps*, this god being a device to help explain phenomena science has yet to understand. Their message has not been lost, even being promoted by a prominent neighbour of ours. But the rationalism they advertised is materialism, that there is nothing other than what we can sense, observe repeatedly, or replicate. The philosophers call it *naturalism*, but the powers that currently be call it *evidence-based decision making*. Yet all our lives are guided by faith: faith in our parents or children, faith in our institutions, even faith in our surgeons. Faith in the future. The literary critic Terry Eagleton said that faith is a species of love. The sort of love the New Testament is filled with. It is not the opposite of reason; it is a different sort of thing, a different category, they say. Faith needs reason to support it, and reason tests our beliefs. So what of the Ascension? St Mark does not mention it, nor St Matthew nor St John. St Luke describes it twice (Lk 24:51, Acts 1:9) and he would have heard of it from people who were there. And Jesus is not gone. Even in the sanctuary, here at St Bart's, I know a parishioner who has seen Him. But for most of us the Ascension is a critical event in the history of the Church, because only afterwards could Jesus send the Holy Spirit to kindle a fire that has not gone out.

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*Baptism of a Centurion ~ M.Corneille the Elder c.1658 ~ The Hermitage, St Petersburg
Then Peter said, "Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people
who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?" Acts 10:47*

The Reverend Canon David Clunie

Rector

Sixth Sunday of Easter

Cornerstone Sunday

Commemorating the Laying of the Cornerstone May 9, 1868

Holy Communion ~ 8:15 a.m.

Morning Prayer ~ 10:30 a.m.

May 6, 2018

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8:15 a. m.

Holy Communion

The Book of Common Prayer, p. 67 ~ *red prayer book*

Greeting: *Priest* The grace ... **And with thy spirit.**

Collect for Purity p. 67

Collect of the Day *Priest* Merciful God, you have prepared for those who love you riches beyond imagination. Pour into our hearts such love toward you, that we, loving you above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

Cornerstone Day Prayer *see p.3*

First Reading: Acts 10:44-48 *p. 9*

Second Reading: 1 John 5:1-9 *p. 9*

Psalm 98 p. 455

The Gospel: John 15:9-17 *p. 11*

Sermon: The Reverend Canon David Clunie

The Creed p.71

The Intercessions

Confession and Absolution p.76

Offertory - *Generous financial support is our expression of gratitude which along with our time and talents enables us to provide worship at St. Bart's and support God's work in service in our community and beyond.*

Blessed be thou, Lord God of Israel, for ever and ever. **All that is in the heaven and in the earth is thine. All things come of thee, and of thine own have we given thee.**

Eucharistic Prayer p. 78

The Communion *All baptized persons are welcome to receive communion. Please do not dip the bread into the wine. If you do not wish to drink from the cup please remain at the altar rail after receiving the bread and place your arms across your chest when the chalice comes to you. The Lay Administrator will pause in front of you to say the words of administration. This shows your respect for the sacrament and solidarity with your fellow Christians. Gluten free bread is available.*

The Lord's Prayer p. 85

Gloria

Blessing

Announcements

Sidesperson and Reader: Rosemary MacDonald

Sanctuary Flowers

The flowers are given to the glory of God & in celebration of

Lisgar Collegiate Institute 175th Anniversary "Alere Flammam"

Given by Pamela & Brian Mallon & Brenda (Mallon) & Edward Cornish

The Gospel

The Holy Gospel is written in the fifteenth chapter of the Gospel according to Saint John beginning at the 9th verse.

Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Jesus said, "As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete. This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another."
(John 15:9-17)

The Gospel of Christ.

Praise be to thee, O Christ.

Benedicite, Omnia Opera

Godfrey Hewitt

O all ye works of the Lord, bless ye the Lord
O ye angels of the Lord, bless ye the Lord
O ye heavens, bless ye the Lord
Praise him and magnify him for ever.

O ye waters that be above the firmament, bless ye the Lord
O ye powers of the Lord, bless ye the Lord
O ye sun and moon, bless ye the Lord
Praise him and magnify him for ever.

O ye stars of heaven, bless ye the Lord
O ye showers and dew, bless ye the Lord
O ye winds of God, bless ye the Lord
Praise him and magnify him for ever.

O ye fire and heat, bless ye the Lord
O ye winter and summer, O ye dews and frosts, bless ye the Lord
O ye frost and cold, O ye ice and snow, bless ye the Lord
Praise him and magnify him for ever.

O ye nights and days, bless ye the Lord
O ye light and darkness, bless ye the Lord
O ye lightnings and clouds, bless ye the Lord
Praise him and magnify him for ever.

O let the earth, bless the Lord
O ye mountains and hills, O all ye green things upon the earth,
bless ye the Lord
O ye the wells, O ye seas and floods, bless ye the Lord
Praise him and magnify him for ever.

O all ye that move in the waters, bless ye the Lord
O ye fowls of the air, bless ye the Lord
O ye beasts and cattle, bless ye the Lord
Praise him and magnify him for ever.

O ye children on earth, bless ye the Lord
O ye people of God, bless ye the Lord
O ye priests of the Lord, bless ye the Lord
Praise him and magnify him for ever.

O ye servants of the Lord, bless ye the Lord
O ye spirits and souls of the righteous, bless ye the Lord
O ye holy and humble of heart, bless ye the Lord
Praise him and magnify him for ever.

Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 6, 2018

10:30 a. m.

Morning Prayer

The Book of Common Prayer, ~ *red prayer book*

Organ Prelude: *Voluntary in D minor* John Stanley
Processional Hymn: *Eternal Father, Strong to Save* words p. 6 Melita
Confession and Absolution BCP p.4
Opening Responses
Venite p.7
Psalm 98 p.8
First Reading: Acts 10:44-48 p.9
Benedicite p.10
Second Reading: 1 John 5:1-6 p.9
Jubilate Deo (Psalm 100) BCP p.457 Rutter
The Gospel: John 15:9-17 p.11
Sermon: The Reverend Canon David Clunie
Song: *God is love, and he who abides in love abides in God and God in him. The love of Christ has gathered us together, let us rejoice in him and be glad. By this shall all know that we are his disciples, if we have love one for another.*
The Apostles' Creed BCP p. 10
The Lesser Litany BCP p. 10-12
Collect of the Day Priest Merciful God, you have prepared for those who love you riches beyond imagination. Pour into our hearts such love toward you, that we, loving you above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.
Amen.
Cornerstone Day Prayer Priest Almighty God, who has built your church upon the foundation of the Apostles and Prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the head corner-stone. Grant that in the power of the Holy Spirit those who serve you here in St Bartholomew's parish may always be kept within your presence. This we pray through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and ever.
Amen.
Second and Third Collects BCP p.11
Offertory Hymn: 486 *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling* Blauenwern
Offertory - *Generous financial support is our expression of gratitude which along with our time and talents enables us to provide worship at St. Bart's and support God's work in service in our community and beyond.*
Blessed be thou, Lord God of Israel, for ever and ever. **All that is in the heaven and in the earth is thine. All things come of thee, and of thine own have we given thee.**
Prayers of the People

The Grace BCP p.15

Announcements

Closing Hymn: 434 *The Love of Jesus Calls Us*

Organ Postlude: *Voluntary in G minor*

Aurelia

John Stanley

Sidespersons: Peter Hyde and Jonathan Adams

Readers: Colin Smallridge and Janet Uren

Intercessor: Nancy Millson

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Anglican Cycle of Prayer: The Anglican Church of Kenya

The Most Reverend Jackson Ole Sapit

Primate and Archbishop of All Kenya

Diocese: St. John the Evangelist, Ottawa

The Reverend Canon Beth Bretzlaff; The Venerable John Fletcher

The Reverend Deacon Caroline Ducros

Canada: Governor General's Foot Guards and those serving in diplomatic missions and NGOs, especially *Jason*.

Parish: *Family & Friends, Sandy, Jim, Carol, Steve, Christina, Fay, Wendy, Robert*

Garry J. Armstrong Home: *Residents, Volunteers & Staff*

For Those Who have Died: *Elizabeth Kane*

Prayer List ~ To add someone to the list, please contact the office with the name and a few words concerning the condition., i.e. upcoming surgery.

Names will remain on the list for two weeks unless an update is received.

Weekly Bulletin ~ Deadline for Submissions

Notices for the bulletin must be received by **11:00 a.m. on Wednesdays**, and will be left in for one week unless otherwise advised.

Coffee Hour

Please join us for coffee in the parish hall following our 10:30 service.

Our hosts are Karen Leslie & Judi Ward.

Thursdays ~ Bible Study & Silent Meditation

Meditation is in the church at 8 a.m. & Bible Study is in the hall at 10 a.m.

Altar Flowers

Each week two floral arrangements will be placed in the Sanctuary. To contribute to these flowers to celebrate an event or to remember a loved one, consult the flower chart in the parish hall to select a date and then contact Ruth in the Parish Office, 613-745-7834, to confirm and provide details for the bulletin. If your date has been taken by another, tributes may be shared or an alternate date chosen. A \$75 donation is suggested. *Please mark cheques "Altar Flowers" as tax receipts will be provided.*

A Reading from the Book of Acts

While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, "Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?" So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days. *(Acts 10:44-48)*

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the churches.

Thanks be to God.

A Reading from the First Letter of John

Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the parent loves the child. By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. For the love of God is this, that we obey his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, for whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith. Who is it that conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God? This is the one who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water only but with the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one that testifies, for the Spirit is the truth. *(1 John 5:1-6)*

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

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Psalm 98



O sing unto the Lord a / new / song
For / he hath . done / marvel-lous / things.
With his own right hand, and with his / ho-ly / arm
Hath he / gotten . him/self the / victory.
The Lord hath de/clared his . sal/vation
His righteousness hath he openly / shown . in the / sight
of . the / nations.
He hath remembered his mercy and his faithfulness toward the /
house of / Israel
And all the ends of the world have seen the sal/va-tion /
of our / God.
Show yourselves joyful unto the Lord / all ye / lands
Sing, re/joyce, and / give / thanks.
Praise the Lord up/on the / harp
Sing to the / harp . with a / psalm of / thanksgiving.
With trumpets also and the / sound of . the / horn,
O show yourselves joyful be/fore the / Lord the / King.
Let the sea make a noise, and all that / is there/in
The round world and / they that / dwell there/in.
Let the floods clap their hands, and let the hills be joyful together
be/fore the / Lord.
For he is / come to / judge the / earth.
With righteousness shall he / judge the / world,
And the / peo-ples / with / equity.
Glory be to the Father, and ' to the ' Son,
* and ' to the ' Holy ' Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ' ever ' shall be,
*world without ' end. A-' men.

St. Bart's Supervised Nursery is Open from 10:15 to 12 Noon

The hall nursery welcomes children up to the age of 3.

St Bart's Sunday School

Teachers Richard and Laura welcome children aged 4-13 during the 10:30 service. Contact: lauradoyel@gmail.com rmaclure@uottawa.ca

Is St Bart's a Welcoming Community?

This was the subject of a workshop attended by twenty-three parishioners on Wednesday, April 25th. While it was felt we are generally above average there was agreement that we are not always consistent and have opportunity to improve. The key conclusion was that we all need to be more aware about the importance of being welcoming and helpful before and during services with those we may not know. Following the service, just as we might ask a friend if they are coming for coffee, we should extend this invitation to those we have not met. More specific suggestions about how we want to improve were made and these will be considered and implemented as we can. *Bonnie Robinson*

Mark Your Calendars!

Thursday, May 10 ~ Art Show & Auction 6:30-9:00 p.m.

Ottawa Innercity Ministries' street-involved youth program will hold their annual art show at the Lansdowne Horticulture Building. A youth choir performs at 7:00 p.m. and art can be purchased by silent auction. Free admission! For more info: 613-237-6031

Tuesday, May 15 at 7:00 p.m. ~ Parish Council Meets in the Hall

Monday, May 21 ~ The Parish Office Will Be Closed for Victoria Day

In the case of an emergency, please leave a message 613-745-7834 ext 115 and your call will be returned as soon as possible.

Thursday, May 24 ~ Bishop's Gala and Auction

In Support of the Bishop's Discretionary Fund. **Venue:** Ottawa Conference & Event Centre, 200 Coventry Rd. Reception 6:00 p.m. Dinner 7:00 p.m. Tickets: \$135.00 online or \$125.00 by cheque. **RSVP by May 11** to *Heidi Pizzuto* 613-233-7741 or bishopsoffice@ottawa.anglican.ca

Saturday May 26th ~ Fundraising Tea for ELTOC 2-4 p.m.

Enjoy delicious sandwiches and sweets, a Silent Auction, and Celtic harp music by Susan Sweeney Hermon. Tickets are only \$20. Please reserve by calling 613-232-8566 or e-mail esl@eltoc.ca. To volunteer on the day, please contact: *Liz Heatherington* 613-745-4677

Thursday, May 31st ~ Fundraising Lunch 11:30 - 2:00 p.m.

Lunch will be held at Gil-O-Julien Park, 201 Donald St, Ottawa. In case of rain, we will move indoors to the centre at 225 Donald St. The Rideau Rockcliffe Community Resource Centre's services include a food bank, poverty reduction programmes, resources for children, youth and families, and legal aid. Tickets until May 1: \$25 After May 1: \$30. Info: *Esméralda Alabré*, 613-745-0073 ext. 142.

Saturday, June 2 ~ Doors Open Ottawa

St. Bart's will be participating again this year and we'll need lots of help. Please sign the sheet in the parish hall. Coordinator: *Judy Wiesinger*, 613-422-6509

Wednesday, June 6, 5:30 p.m. Choral Evensong at St Bart's

Matthew Larkin's Caelis Academy Ensemble will sing Evensong in celebration of the Coronation of the Queen, on June 2, 1953.

Sunday, June 10 ~ Last Day for Sunday School and the Parish BBQ

Thursday, June 14 ~ Last Sessions for Bible Study and Meditation

Sunday, June 24 ~ Last Sunday for two Services 8:15 & 10:30 a.m.

Sunday, July 1-September 2 ~ Sunday Service at 9:30 a.m.

July 6 at 7:30 ~ Concert with the Choir of Christ College, Cambridge

Save the date and plan to attend a concert by one of England's finest College Choirs. They will sing at St Bart's as part of their Canadian Tour. Billets will be needed for two nights, so if you have an available room, please contact Ruth in the office. *BBC Music Magazine*: "fresh voices, precise pitching and chording, expert pacing." Tickets: \$25 available at the office. The programme will include works by *Parry, Tallis and Howells*.

Hymn: Eternal Father, Strong to Save

Eternal Father, strong to save,
Whose arm doth bind the restless wave,
Who bidd'st the mighty ocean deep
Its own appointed limits keep;

O hear us when we cry to thee for those in peril on the sea.

O Saviour, whose almighty word
The winds and waves submissive heard,
Who walkedst on the foaming deep,
And calm amidst its rage didst sleep;

O hear us when we cry to thee for those in peril on the sea.

O Sacred Spirit, who didst brood
Upon the chaos dark and rude,
Who bad'st its angry tumult cease,
And gavest light, and life, and peace;

O hear us when we cry to thee for those in peril on the sea.

O Trinity of love and power,
Our brethren shield in danger's hour;
From rock and tempest, fire and foe,
Protect them wheresoe'er they go;

And ever let there rise to thee glad hymns of praise from land and sea.

Venite



O come let us / sing unto the / Lord: *
Let us heartily rejoice in the / strength of / our sal/vation.
Let us come before his / presence . with / thanksgiving, *
And show ourselves / glad in / him with / psalms.
For the Lord is a / great / God, *
And a great / King a-bove / all / gods.
In his hand are all the / corners . of the / earth: *
And the strength of the / hills is / his / also.

(2nd) The sea is / his . and he / made it: *
And his / hands pre/pared the . dry / land.
O come let us worship and / fall / down, *
And / kneel be-fore the / Lord our / Maker.
For he is the / Lord our / God; * And we are the people of his /
pasture and the / sheep . of his / hand.

Glory be to the Father, and ' to the ' Son,
* and ' to the ' Holy ' Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ' ever ' shall be,
*world without ' end. A- ' men.